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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL AND  
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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Please find an Amendment transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application.

Applicants hereby request a **one-month extension of time** for responding to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2004 for which a two month response period, expiring on October 30, 2004, was set. The one-month extended period for response expires on November 30, 2004. Please charge the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) one-month extension fee of **\$110.00** and any other fee that may be required to Deposit Account No. **11-0600**. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed for that purpose.

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